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In re Application of:

Christophe LE ROY et al. ✓

Examiner: J. Rhee ✓

Serial No.: 09/544,614 ✓

Group Art Unit: 1772 ✓

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Title: COEXTRUSION BINDER, ITS USE FOR A MULTILAYER STRUCTURE AND THE STRUCTURE THUS OBTAINED

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the office action dated August 7, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1, 2, 9, 10, 15, 17 and 22 as follows:

1. (Thrice Amended) A coextrusion binder [produced by a process] comprising blending:
- 5 to 30 parts of a polymer (A) [produced by a process] comprising cografting a blend of 60-95 parts by weight of a high density polyethylene (A1) of relative density 0.940-0.965 and a MFI of 0.1-3 g/10 min under 2.16 kg at 190°C and 40-5 parts by weight of a polymer (A2) of a low-density polyethylene or a metallocene polyethylene with 600 ppm - 6% by weight of an unsaturated carboxylic acid or its functional derivative with respect to the weight of grafted (A1) and (A2); and
 - 95 to 70 parts of a polyethylene (B) of relative density 0.930-0.940 and a MFI of 5-

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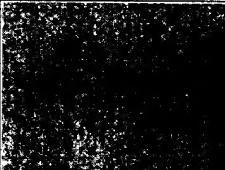
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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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- ☐ Applicant(s) is/are entitled to small entity status.
- ☐ Additional documents filed herewith:

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